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## LIVED BY MAKING LOVE TO WOMEN

JOHNSON SENTENCED TO SEVEN YEARS IN PENITENTIARY.

## CONVICTED MAN CONFESSES

Reported to Have Admitted That He is John Madison Wanted in Many States For Bigamy.

By Associated Press.  
San Francisco, Cal., July 13.—Christian C. Johnson, sentenced yesterday to serve seven years in the penitentiary for bigamy is reported to have confessed that he is the mysterious "John Madison" wanted in many parts of the country for the systematic swindling of women under promise of marriage in 1906. Johnson is alleged to have said, "I quit my business of buying horses and from that day to this I have been making my living by marrying and making love to women. Getting their money and then deserting them."

## STATE PENITENTIARY HAS NINETY MEN FOR LIFE

McAlester, Okla., July 13.—There are ninety prisoners in the state penitentiary here undergoing life sentence. Oklahoma county heads the list, having contributed twelve of the number. Pittsburg and Lincoln counties are tied for second place with seven each. Comanche has five, Muskogee four and Carter and Atoka three each. Woodward, Garfield, Tulsa, Kay, Johnson, Noble, Washington, Wagoner, Murray, Custer, McCurtain and Nowata each have sent two. Creek Cherokee, Garvin, Woods, Logan, Roger Mills, Stephens, Payne, Beaver, Kingsfisher, Sequoyah, Greer, Grant, Texas, Cleveland, Love, Canadian, Hughes, Craig and Blaine have sent one each. The total is 90. Of this number there are 53 white males, 39 black males, 2 white females and 5 Indians.

## WOULD GET REAL ENJOYMENT

Zachary Melick, with a Million Dollars, Has Plans to Scatter a Little Sunshine.

"I wouldn't care a rap for a million dollars," said Zachary Melick, "if I couldn't divide it among about 20 people I know. And I reckon they wouldn't enjoy their little \$50,000 apiece unless they divided it among their friends, too."

"The charitable societies don't cover the whole field, not by a good deal. Sometimes it seems to me the people that deserve kindness most are the ones that ask for it last. I know an old lady, past 80 she is, and her only daughter, a woman of 50. These two live and keep house on a pension of ten dollars a month. That ten dollars is absolutely all they have to spend; it has to pay for everything, but they manage to keep inside of it, though no one but the Lord knows how they do it. When the mother goes the daughter can't have a cent, yet they're always happy, always glad to see company, and to put up an extra chair to the table. Their hearts are warm enough, if they do have to keep a rug at the crack of the door."

"There's thousands of good, kind people in just such a fix. If I was a young man again, one of my main reasons for wanting to succeed would be so I could equalize things a little in this uneven old world. I'd make my pile. I reckon there would be at least one millionaire who wouldn't rock away his life—BANKER J. J. News."

## TWO MASKED MEN ROB HOTEL AT UTAH SPRINGS

By Associated Press.  
Ogden, Utah, July 13.—Three masked men held up a hotel at Utah Hot Springs, near here late last night and after shooting and painfully wounding the proprietor, pried open the safe, used jointly by the hotel and the United States post office and escaped with five hundred dollars, including three hundred dollars in stamps and money, belonging to the government.

## ONE THOUSAND NATIONALISTS ENTER CITY OF TEHERON

By Associated Press.  
Teheron, July 13.—One thousand Nationalists entered Teheron by three gates early today. The Cossacks occupied the central square and surrounding streets. The fighting started at once and is vigorously proceeding. The shah is momentarily expected to take refuge in the foreign legation.

Late this afternoon the fighting in the streets continues, but it is mostly at long range and desultory, and is neither destructive nor decisive. The lives and property of foreigners are not in danger.

## DANGER OF SERIOUS FLOOD IS PAST AT KANSAS CITY

Missouri and Kansas Rivers at Stand Still—Train Service to Chicago and East Shows Improvement—South and Southwest Service is Yet Demoralized—Rivers Reported to be Falling at Points up Stream.

By Associated Press.  
Kansas City, Mo., July 13.—With the Missouri and Kansas rivers stationary since last night at 27 feet and 23.9 feet respectively, and falls in both streams reported from points above here, the danger of a serious flood at Kansas City is looked upon as practically over unless further rains occur.

At Topeka the Kaw river fell three feet since yesterday. Eastern train service began to show improvement here today. The Santa Fe opened the main line to Chicago

this morning and the Chicago, Milwaukee and St. Paul sent a special to Chicago over its own line. Train service south and southwest is still demoralized.

By Associated Press.  
St. Louis, Mo., July 13.—The Mississippi river continued to rise here today and the water has entered many buildings on the levee. The gauge marks thirty-three and a half feet. A good stage of thirty feet. Great damage has been done farm crops along the Missouri river between St. Charles and Jefferson City.

## QUALIFYING ROUND WON BY MINNEAPOLIS MAN

By Associated Press.  
Des Moines, Ia., July 13.—Henry G. Legg, of Minneapolis, Minn., carried off the honors in the thirty-six hole qualifying round in the ninth annual championship tournament of the Trans-Mississippi Golf Association today. He turned in a card of eighty-one. Harlin Hurley of Topeka, tied for second with eighty-two and Rev. Paul R. Talbot of Hutchinson, Kans., made a good score of ninety-one.

## VINITA YOUNG COUPLE MARRIED AT CARTHAGE

George C. Cantrell and Birdie A. Dameron of Vinita, Okla., were married by Rev. C. M. Davenport of Joplin at the Lakeside Inn yesterday. The newlyweds will make their future home in Oklahoma. Mr. Cantrell is the son of a Methodist preacher at Vinita and is well known in church circles. The couple had been visiting in Joplin during the Fourth and decided to get married. Yesterday application was made for a marriage license and the minister was notified to meet them at Lakeside. The inn parlor were prettily decorated for the occasion and several of the friends of both bride and groom were present.—Carthage (Mo.) Morning Press.

## BRYAN CALLS HAND OF PRESIDENT TAFT

URGES ELECTION OF SENATORS BY POPULAR VOTE.

## ADDRESSES LETTER TO TAFT

Would Have Such Amendment Submitted to States Along With Income Tax Amendment.

By Associated Press.  
Lincoln, Neb., July 13.—William J. Bryan today addressed a letter to President Taft asking him to allow the people to vote on the question of the popular election of senators. "In your speech of acceptance," writes Bryan, "you said you were personally inclined to favor such a change in the constitution. Now that the states are going to vote on the ratification of amendment authorizing an income tax, why not give them a chance to vote also on an amendment for the election of United States senators by popular vote?"

## COUNCIL MEETS TO MAKE ANNUAL LEVY

Fourteen Mill Tax Levied Against Vinita Property—Contract With E. J. Overley & Co., Cancelled.

The city council this morning held an adjourned session of the special meeting called last night for the purpose of making the annual tax levy for the city and to complete unfinished business. The council made a levy of ten mills for the general expenses of the city and four mills for a sinking fund to take up the outstanding sewer and water works bonds.

An ordinance was passed cancelling the contract with E. J. Overley & Co., for the pavement of parts of Canadian avenue and Scraper street. This was done in order that a new contract might be made. The report of the engineer on the cost of the sanitary sewer on North Foreman street was approved.

DON'T FORGET  
To pay your telephone bill by July 15th and avoid having your telephone service discontinued. 77-9

Mrs. J. C. Starr was called to St. Joe, Mo., last night through the illness of her sister.

## By Decisive Vote House Adopts Senate Joint Resolution Providing for Submission of Income Tax Question to States—Payne Says Such a Tax Would Make a "Nation of Liars" — Conversion To Another Democratic Principle.

Washington, July 13.—By the decisive vote of 317 to 14, more than the necessary two-thirds, the house yesterday passed the senate joint resolution providing for the submission of the income tax amendment question to the states. The negative votes were all cast by republicans. The resolution now goes to the president for his signature. The debate lasted about four hours and this afforded many members, mostly democrats, an opportunity to air their views. Chairman Payne of the committee on ways and means voiced the sentiment that such a tax would make "a nation of liars," although he said it was well that such power should be given congress, especially in times of war.

The burden of the democratic speeches was that it was simply a case of stealing democratic thunder, although some of the remarks on that side incidentally touched upon the tariff and the corporation tax with no little amount of castigation of the republicans for failing, as was alleged, to keep party pledges.

"We welcome the conversion of the republican party to another democratic principle," was the comment of Mr. Clark (Missouri), the minority leader, who got rousing applause from his side of the chamber for his utterance. An income tax, he maintained, was a democratic principle. "One by one the roses fall," he said, addressing the republican side, "and one by one you adopt our platform." He concluded by expressing himself in favor of increasing the amount of exemption above \$5,000.

Mr. James (Kentucky) quoted from an anti-election speech in which Mr. Taft favored a graduated income tax and expressed the view that perhaps a change in the personnel of the United States supreme court might effect a reversal of its former opinion, holding the income tax unconstitutional.

"You denounce Bryan for that," he exclaimed, facing the republican side. "You said he was assailing the honor and integrity of the supreme court, yet the man you elevated to the left-

most station in the nation virtually repeated the very same words that for twelve years the democratic party in every platform has uttered."

In a fiery speech in support of an income tax, Mr. Robinson (Arkansas) arraigned the republicans for, as he charged, "fooling the people" before the last presidential election. He defended William J. Bryan, declaring that he stood head and shoulders above any other man in private life today. He was pure and spotless, and yet, he said, the same republican party that denounced Bryan as an anarchist was now appropriating his political thunder. "There are men here," he remarked, "who owe William J. Bryan an apology."

Others supporting the resolution were Harrison (New York), Keifer (Ohio) Hull (Tennessee), Miller (Kansas), Sims (Tennessee), Barthold (Missouri), Byrd (Mississippi), Richardson (Alabama), Sulzer (New York), Goldfogle (New York), DeArmond (Missouri), Heflin (Alabama), Cox (Indiana), Sharp (Ohio), Rucker (Missouri), Dies (Texas), Cole (Ohio), Hobson (Alabama), Dickma (Michigan), and opposed by Messrs. Hill (Connecticut), and Pickett (Iowa).

Mr. Henry (Texas) vainly sought to offer an amendment providing for the submission of the question through constitutional conventions, but the speaker ruled that under the agreement for a vote no amendment was in order. From that decision Mr. Henry appealed and succeeded in forcing a roll call. The vote resulted, yeas 155, nays 145, which had the effect of sustaining the speaker.

The vote on the resolution resulted 317 to 14. The democrats voted solidly for the resolution, but the following republicans voted against it: Allen, Maine; Barthold, Dalsell, McCreary and Wheeler, of Pennsylvania; Fordney, Michigan; Gardner, McCall and Weeks, of Massachusetts; Hill and Henry, of Connecticut; Ollcott and Southwick, of New York; Calderhead, Kansas.

The house at 5:33 p. m., adjourned until Thursday.

## The Sinner's Progress.

In narrating a story of a naughty girl and an English magistrate in his recent book, "Old and Odd Memories," Hon. Lionel A. Tollemache supplements it with that famous example of anticlimax, the rebuke a headmaster to youthful Etonians for unpunctuality at chapel: "Your conduct is an insult to the Almighty and keeps the canons waiting."

The young girl mentioned was had up before the magistrate by a farmer for killing one of his ducks with a stone. The case against her was quite clear, but it was thought worth while to call witnesses to prove that she was very naughty indeed, and in the habit of using bad language.

Then, in solemn accents, the magistrate addressed her:

"Little girl, you have heard the evidence against you, and see how one thing leads to another. You began by smirking and swearing and blaspheming your maker, and you have ended by throwing a stone at a duck."—Youth's Companion.

## Most Remarkable Picture Ever Taken by a Camera

Seattle, Wash., July 13.—Is this wonderful picture of the Christ the latest miracle, or is it the result of some strange change far beyond the knowledge of the scientists of today?

Cast off a radiance five times as great as that of any known light giving substance except radium, the painting by Henry Ahl, "In the Shadow of the Cross," has puzzled all who have seen it on exhibition in the Swedish building at the Alaska-Yukon-Pacific exposition.

That there is no phosphorus or other radiating substance on the picture is attested by the foremost chemists of the country who have analyzed the paint.

And yet it's light is wonderfully bright. That it might deceive the eye if possible but it is impossible that it could practice that deception on a photographic plate.

A picture, the most remarkable that has ever been known to photography was taken of this radiating wonder by its own light at the exposition recently. The camera was placed with the picture in a room absolutely black with darkness. After eleven hours of this exposure to the rays from the painting, a perfect photograph was obtained.

A peculiar and unexplainable part of this experiment is that the features of the picture, which do not appear to

the eye when viewed in the dark are plainly seen in the photograph, while the shadow of a cross which does appear to the spectator, cannot be seen in the plate.

Photographers agree that this is the most wonderful picture ever taken by a camera.

The painting, is owned by a Washington, D. C., physician who purchased it from the artist for four hundred dollars. It has been exhibited before over 4,000,000 people. It was given a gold medal at the St. Louis exposition which is a guarantee of its genuineness.

The artist in September, 1896, was returning to his studio late at night and noticed that the picture radiated light. Believing that the moonbeams must be penetrating some crevice he examined further and discovered that the light came from the picture itself.

The light from this painting of the divinity came from all parts of the painting except that a shadow of a cross was observed to be cast diagonally across the shoulders. The artist refused to finish the painting which was then three-fourths completed as it remains unchanged.

The light from the picture has never lost its power in the fourteen years it has been on exhibition, and it is today as bright as the day the artist first noticed the peculiar phenomenon.

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